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Federal Communications Commission
Commission Secretary, Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
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RE: Proceeding 03-167

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Indiana consumers, both business and residential, deserve options when it comes to choosing their telecommunications providers. This should be the case in the long distance as well as the local market.

I am writing to urge your positive consideration of SBC's application to offer long distance service in Indiana. We believe that additional competition in this area will result in additional benefits for both business and residential consumers – from more competitive rates to convenience of one-stop service.

Consumers want choices, competitive prices and comprehensive phone packages for all of their telecommunications services. Experience has shown a dramatic decrease in long distance rates in states where the incumbent local phone company has been allowed to compete in the long distance market.

Every one of SBC's competitors now offers long distance service in Indiana. SBC should be allowed to enter the long distance market.

We ask that the FCC favorably act on this application and provide additional competitive options here in Indiana.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Patrick J. Keily'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patrick J. Keily
President
Indiana Manufacturers Association